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Hours: Monday – Thursday 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. & 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. • Friday 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Mass Times

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
6:45 a.m.	8:00 a.m.	5:30 p.m.	8:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m. (Spanish)	6:45 a.m.	4:00 p.m.	8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. (Spanish) & 6:00 p.m.

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Baptism

Baptismal Preparation class is by appointment only and is required for parents with their first child and inactive Catholics. Please call the parish office for more information.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Thursday at 5:00 p.m., Friday at 12:00 p.m., Saturday at 3:00 p.m., & Sunday at 5:00 p.m. or by scheduled appointment.

Marriage

Please contact the Pastor at least six months before the wedding to participate in marriage preparation.

Anointing of the Sick

Please call parish office for appointments.

Pastoral Council

Bryan Church 785-623-6805

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IHM is a Stewardship Parish

"In this period of crisis today, it is important not to turn in on ourselves, burying our own talent, our spiritual, intellectual, and material riches, everything that the Lord has given us; but, rather to open ourselves, to be supportive, to be attentive to others. Set your stakes on great ideals, the ideals that enlarge the heart, the ideals of service that make your talents fruitful. Life is not given to us to be jealously guarded for ourselves, but is given to us so that we may give it in turn."

- Pope Francis,
to an audience on April 24, 2013



Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time — Sunday, October 4, 2026

Priesthood Sunday Thank You's



On behalf of Fr. Al Werth, Fr. Luke Friess, Deacon Kyle Pfeifer, and myself, I would like to thank everyone who offered cards, gifts, sentiments, and prayers for us this past weekend on Priesthood Sunday. Your kind gestures mean a lot to us, and we appreciate it. It is definitely a joy and an honor to serve the people of this parish. Please know that we are truly grateful. May God bless you all!

Fr. Nick Parker, Pastor



Father and maker of all, you adorn all creation with splendor and beauty, and fashion human lives in your image and likeness.

Awaken in every heart reverence for the work of your hands, and renew among your people a readiness to nurture and sustain your precious gift of life.

Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever.

Amen

Immaculate Heart of Mary This Week (October 5 - 9, 2026)

Date	Mass Intention & Other Church Events	Mass Readings
Monday 5 St. Faustina Kowalska	6:45 a.m. Priest Intention	Gal 1: 6-12 Lk 10: 25-37
Tuesday 6	8:00 a.m. L/D Galen & Cathy Pfeifer Family	Gal 1: 13-24 Lk 10: 38-42
Wednesday 7 Our Lady of the Rosary	5:30 p.m. L/D Cliff & Helen Werth Family	Gal 2: 1-2, 7-14 Lk 11: 1-4
Thursday 8	8:00 a.m. L/D George & Jeanette Klaus Family 5:00 p.m. Weekly Reconciliation 6:30 p.m. Priest Intention	Gal 3: 1-5 Lk 11: 5-13
Friday 9	6:45 a.m. + Rita Staab	Gal 3: 7-14 Lk 11: 15-26
Saturday 10	8:00 a.m. Daily Mass for Vocations 3:00 p.m. Weekly Reconciliation 4:00 p.m. + Francis Braun	Gal 3: 22-29 Lk 11: 27-28
Sunday 11 Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time	8:00 a.m. People of the Parish 10:00 a.m. L/D Alfred Melvin & Mary Ann Dinkel 12:00 p.m. Priest Intention 5:00 p.m. Weekly Reconciliation 6:00 p.m. Priest Intention	Is 25: 6-10 Phil 4:12-14, 19-20 Mt 22: 1-14

Stewardship of Treasure

Budgeted Weekly Income Fiscal Year 2026-2027 \$ 32,403.85

Adult Envelopes	\$ 5,333.58
Offertory Loose Plate	\$ 1,683.26
Total Giving weekend of September 27	\$ 27,016.84
This week the collection behind	\$ 5,387.01

Unify, Beautify, Glorify: Capital Campaign

Open Loan Balance with Diocese 8/20/2026	\$ 1,891,000
Total Open Pledges	\$ 229,575

Thank you to those parishioners who are using the green envelopes to support/ tithe to the Building Campaign. We are enjoying the beautiful church and parish hall. The loan with the diocese remains.



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Venmo will now be available for donations for visitors or parishioner donations. You can use Venmo for tithing, candles, or capital campaign.



Stewardship of Time and Talent

Liturgical Ministers	October 10 Saturday 4:00 p.m.	October 11 Sunday 8:00 a.m.	October 11 Sunday 10:00 a.m.
Sacristan	Bryan Church	Glenn Braun	Curtis Hammeke
Cantors	Allison Lubbers	Ellie Herl	Jazmin & Youth Choir
Accompanist	Debbie Klaus	Bob Dreiling	Linda Lang
Servers	Atticus Micek Samuel Basgall Benjamin Delgado Lana Schmeidler	Donovan Fraire Riley Schroeder Anthony Brown Elizabeth Stein	Benjamin Perrett Cooper Gifford Hadley Gifford Jason Whitmer
Lectors	Donna Lubbers Conrad Vajnar	Carson Kraus Carol Brull	Lester Robben Donetta Robben
Gift Bearers	Mark & Simone Werth	Randy & Carol Brull	Kenney & Lacey Sweeney
Wee Words			Johnae Robles
EME's	Simon Micek Lora Hess John Patriarca Kay Klaus Melissa Romme Jerry Wasinger Janelle Pfannenstiel	Holly Kraus Pam Windholz Myrna Hoffman Linda Korbe Geri Zerr Eric Brown Chase Berg	Jonathan Kinderknecht Misty Lohmeyer Gregory Seiler Edward Perrett Linda Stefan Tom Drees Kris Harris
Greeters	Aaron & Jami Breit Family Patrick & Karen Staab	Roger & Karla Bixenman Ron & JoAnn Berens	Jon & Shannon Kinderknecht Jim & Wanda Fouts
Money Count	James Braun, Stacey York, Dennis Zimmerman, Linda Schoenthaler		
Rosaries	Knights of Columbus	Knights of Columbus	Knights of Columbus



YOUTH / ADULT INFORMATION

October 4 - 8, 2026

HOLY FAMILY ELEMENTARY

- Tues, Oct 6** School Mass at IHM 8:00 a.m.
- Thurs, Oct 8** School Mass at IHM 8:00 a.m.
Vision Screenings (KP-2nd Grade)
- Fri, Oct 9** Friday Prayer Circles
TMP Homecoming Parade & Football Game
- Mon, Oct 12** No Bus Services
- Tues, Oct 13** School Mass at IHM 8:00 a.m.
- Wed, Oct 14** Early Release Day – Students dismiss at 1:15 p.m.
Staff Mtg. following –Office closes @ 1:30
Golden Q Dine-Out Night for HFE (4-8pm) –
Stop by the Q to dine-in or carryout & support HFE!
- Thurs, Oct 15** School Mass at IHM 8:00 a.m.
Vision Screenings (3rd-5th Grade)
- Fri, Oct 16** End of Qtr. 1
Cajetan Ca\$h sales cut-off at midnight
- Mon, Oct 19** Fall Picture Retake Day (after announcements)
- Tues, Oct 20** School Mass at IHM 8:00 a.m.
- Thurs, Oct 22** School Mass at IHM 8:00 a.m.
October Birthday Mass & Lunch

TMP-MARIAN JR/SR HIGH

- Monday October 5th**
All School Mass 9:30 -10:15
HS V Girls Golf - TMP-Marian Invitational 1:00 - 5:00
JH Volleyball at Hill City @ 4pm
HS JV Football at Ellsworth @4:30pm
- Tuesday October 6th**
Senior Sunrise Breakfast across from the fieldhouse 8:00am
- Wednesday October 7th**
Cross Country Team Meal in the Dining Hall 4pm
- Thursday October 8th**
9th and 10th grade PreACT Prep in Dining hall - 9:30 - 10:15am
JH Cross country in Phillipsburg @ 4pm
HS Cross Country in Phillipsburg @ 4pm
HS Volleyball in Victoria @ 4:30pm
JH Volleyball in Plainville @ 4:30pm
JH Football in Plainville @ 6pm
HS football team meal in the Dining Hall @ 5pm
- Friday October 9th**
Fall Pep Rally in the Fieldhouse @ 12:30pm
Early Release today for Homecoming

HAYS CYO & Junior CYO

- Oct Weekend Masses- CYO Donation Wall Fundraiser**
- Oct 7th- 7:30 p.m.** CYO Meeting in IHM Basement
- Oct 13th- 6:00 p.m.** Trick or Treat so Others Can Eat (Tuesday)
- Oct 21st- 7:30 p.m.** CYO Meeting in IHM Basement
- Oct 25th- 4:00-5:30 p.m.** Jr CYO Meeting at St. Joe's
- Oct 28th- 7:00 p.m.** IHM Saints or Sweets in HFE Little Theatre
(CYO meeting to follow)

Faith Formation K — 8

October Faith Formation Schedule

- Wednesday, October 7, 2026 at 6:30pm
- Wednesday, October 14, 2026 at 6:30pm
- Wednesday, October 21, 2026 at 6:30pm



Parish & Community Announcements



**Welcome our newly baptized to our
Catholic Community of
Immaculate Heart of Mary!**



**Kysen Roger Lowe
Harper Jean Lowe**



Children of Hayden & Kelsey Lowe was baptized
Saturday, September 26, 2026 by Rev. Nick Parker.

Charlotte Rose Marge Gillaspie

Daughter of Joseph & Yara Gillaspie was baptized
Sunday, September 27, 2026 by Rev. Nick Parker.

Kylen Michael Werth

Son of Braiden & Mindy Werth was baptized
Sunday, September 27, 2026 by Rev. Luke Friess.

Youth Choir (singers and instruments)

2nd Sundays of the month - October 11th
10:00am Mass

2nd-12th graders

Meet in the church basement the morning of at
9:00am for practice

Questions? Contact Jennifer Whitmer at
jlosey04@gmail.com or 785-259-4373



Family Rosary Help Needed

If you are called to pray the rosary before Mass we
have an opportunity for you! We are in need of
volunteers to pray the rosary before the 8:00am
Sunday Mass. To sign up or need more
information, please feel free to contact Donetta
Robben by email at donetta@dvmercy.com or call
785-656-0150.

Congratulations



The parish of Immaculate Heart of Mary offers
our congratulations to:

Lawrance Gomez & Deyanira Velazquez

who were married here on Saturday, September 26,
2026, by Rev. Nick Parker. God bless you on your
union!



Immaculate Heart of Mary

Monthly Breakfast

When: Sunday, October 18, 2026

Time : 8:30 AM till 11:30 AM

Where: IHM Parish Hall

Free Will Offering

AllInvited for food and fellowship!

Proceeds go to Immaculate Heart of Mary

Mass Book Open - IHM Parishioners, the 2027 Mass
book to schedule your intentions is open. Come by the
IHM parish office to schedule your mass intentions.
Mass intentions are \$10.00 each. First come first serve.

Immaculate Heart of Mary will be having the
annual fall communal **RITE OF ANOINTING OF THE
SICK** will be taking place October 17 & 18 following
each Mass. If you are unable to receive the sacrament
you may call the parish office.



K of C Council 6984 Updates

October 8 - K of C Meeting at 7:00pm Knights Room

* Any one interested in joining the St. Mary's Knights
Council please come to our Degree initiation that will be
at 7:00pm at our October meeting, please come by
6:45pm to the Knights Room. We would love for you to
join the Knights Order and become part of an
honorable fraternal organization.

October 9—11 K of C Tootsie Roll Campaign
Please help out that weekend for a 2 hour shift or more.
Bring your kids and grandkids along to help what a
great experience being out in the community.

October 24 & 25 - K of C 24 Days before Christmas
Raffle Tickets will be available on sale after Masses in
the church gathering space.

Parish & Community Announcements

Diocesan Anniversary Masses

Our Anniversary Masses are two of my favorite Masses each year. It is wonderful to see couples who have shared so many years of marriage, hear their stories of how they met, listen to the wisdom they have gained along the way, and pray with them in thanksgiving for the gift of their marriage.

October 11 at 2 pm -St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Salina

October 25 at 2 pm - St. Nicholas of Myra Hays

If you are celebrating your 1st anniversary or an anniversary ending in 5 or 0, we would love to have you join us.

Register online:

<https://salinadiocese.typeform.com/to/chEKTqxS?bblinkid=290305657&bbemailid=63096290&bbejrid=-866368634>

Call the Diocesan Family Life Office 785-827-8746



Daughters of Isabella Circle 254 Events

On Sunday October 4, at 1:00 PM, The National Life Chain will take place at St. Joseph Cemetery. Please attend this important event.

Sunday, October 11, at 1:00 PM, in the IHM Parish Hall, the Daughters of Isabella will hold a **Food and Craft Bingo**. Members are asked to bring prizes on Saturday or before the bingo on Sunday. A table will be set up by the south church doors to drop them off. Everyone is invited to come and win some great prizes.

The next meeting of the Daughters of Isabella #254 will be Tuesday, October 13, at 6:00 PM at the IHM Parish Hall.

The Daughters of Isabella sponsors Bingo at Heritage Eatery and Bingo, 2450 East 8th Street, on the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Friday of each month. We invite you to join us for a fun evening.



Mon. Oct. 5:

9:30am - All School Mass

6pm-8pm - HS Powderpuff Football Game @ TMP

Tues. Oct. 6:

9am-2pm - HS Homecoming Float Building

7pm-9pm - Homecoming Activities and Bonfire @ TMP

Wed. Oct. 7:

7:30am-9:30am - Homecoming Practice @ Lewis Field

Fri. Oct. 9:

12:30pm-1:15pm - Pep Rally @ Al Billinger Field House

5:30pm-6:30pm - Homecoming Parade

7pm-9pm - Homecoming Football Game vs. Republic Country

@ Lewis Field

Sat. Oct. 10:

7pm-10pm - Homecoming Dance @ The Fox

The annual **Trick or Treat So Others Can Eat** canned food drive is set for Tuesday, October 13, 2026. Volunteers will be going door to door collecting non-perishable food items from 6:00pm to 9:00pm. Food items such as canned meats, canned veggies, canned fruit, and boxed dinners are much needed at this time.

FOSTERING
Care within our community

This holiday season, let's make a difference!

We are raising money for Christmas gifts for the kids and families in the foster care system. Our goal is to bring some extra joy, love, and hope to them this holiday season!

Scan the QR code or visit our website to donate!

<https://givebutter.com/fosteringcare>

Every donation helps provide Christmas gifts and makes this season brighter for the kids and families we serve.

Senior Capstone Project by Reagan Allen & Bridget Feldt

- There are over 6,200 kids in the foster care system in Kansas, with about 160 kids just in the Hays area.
- Approximately 37% will find kinship w/ family; 10% are placed in residential/group homes; but the other 50% are placed in foster care homes with strangers.
- Saint Francis Ministries is an agency that provides support and care to families for adoption, behavioral health, foster care and more.
- The Hays agency office serves as the regional hub for Northwest KS. For more information about the foster system or ways to help, contact: <https://saintfrancisministries.org/>

Saint Francis MINISTRIES

Together, we can bring comfort, hope and a fresh start.

Give a little. Make a big difference.

Hays CYO

Donation Wall

All weekend Masses in October

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All proceeds will go towards our trip to the
National Catholic Youth Convention and other various summer trips!

Thank you so much for your generous contribution!

1

Pick an envelope of your choosing

From inside, remove and keep a thank
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2

3

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Consult not your fears but your hopes and your dreams. Think not about your frustrations, but about your unfulfilled potential. Concern yourself not with what you tried and failed in, but with what it is still possible for you to do.
-St. John XXII (1881-1963)

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